



# California Regional Water Quality Control Board

## San Francisco Bay Region



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### NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

In the Matter of a Proposed Amendment  
to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin

**August 12, 2005**

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the California Regional Water Quality Control Board, San Francisco Bay Region (Water Board), will consider for adoption an amendment to the Water Quality Control Plan for the San Francisco Bay Basin (Basin Plan). The proposed amendment includes no regulatory changes and would:

1. Update the organization and format of the text;
2. Update beneficial use maps and tables, correcting printing and typographical errors;
3. Update watershed, surface water and groundwater program descriptions; and
4. Update references to relevant laws, regulations and policies that have gone into effect since the last general update in 1995.

Because this Basin Plan Amendment consists of only editorial changes, updates and corrections, it is not a "project" under the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378 because it has no potential for any direct physical change in the environment. Action on the proposed amendment will be taken in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

The public hearing on the proposed Basin Plan amendments will be held:

**DATE: Wednesday, October 19, 2005**

**TIME: 9:00 a.m. (approximate)**

**LOCATION:** Elihu M. Harris State Building  
First Floor Auditorium  
1515 Clay Street  
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If not attached hereto, the proposed amendment entitled "2005 Basin Plan General Update" and draft staff report, including all attachments, may be downloaded from the Water Board Web site starting August 12, 2005, at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/basinplan.htm>.

Copies of the proposed amendment and staff report are also available at the Water Board offices. Further information and copies may also be obtained from the staff contact above.

The 45-day public comment period for the proposed amendment expires on **September 26, 2005**. All written comments on the proposed amendment are due by this date to the staff contact above. Additionally, all evidence, testimony and exhibits to be offered at the October hearing must be submitted in writing by this date to the above staff contact. Non-evidentiary policy statements to be made at the hearing need not be submitted in advance.

The Water Board will receive oral public testimony on the proposed amendment at the hearing. The public hearing will be conducted in accordance with 23 Cal. Code of Regs. § 649.3. Time limits may be imposed on oral testimony at the public hearing; groups are encouraged to designate a spokesperson. All exhibits presented at the hearing, including charts and graphs, must be left with the Water Board, as they will become part of the administrative record. At the conclusion of the public hearing, the Water Board will consider adoption of the proposed amendment, or changes to the proposed amendment that are consistent with the general purpose of the proposed Basin Plan amendment and are a logical outgrowth of the evidence and testimony received.

A map and directions to the hearing are available on the Water Board web site at <http://www.waterboards.ca.gov/sanfranciscobay/direction.htm>. The location of the hearing is accessible to persons with disabilities. Individuals who require special accommodations are requested to contact the Executive Assistant at least 5 working days before the meeting. TTY users may contact the California Relay Service at 1-800-735-2929 or voice line at 1-800-735-2922.



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